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**STATEMENT OF WILMA B. LIEBMAN**  
**CHAIRMAN, NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD,**  
**ON THE DEATH OF SENATOR EDWARD M. KENNEDY**

Senator Kennedy was a giant. His passing is a huge loss to the Nation. He was a powerful champion for working people and the laws that protect them. The National Labor Relations Board has certainly lost a great friend and a skillful advocate. His absence in the debates on health care reform and labor law reform will be deeply felt.

Speaking personally, I was greatly honored when Senator Kennedy presided at the installation ceremony for my third term as a member of the Board. His commitment to public service, and the passion with which he pursued it, have been an inspiration to me and so many others.

On behalf of the Board and its staff, I extend sincere sympathies to Senator Kennedy's family for their loss. He will be profoundly missed.

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